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Re: Attorney Docket No. 4965-000114
Inventor: Roland Eberlein et al.
For: Fastening Assembly

Sir:

This is a request for filing a **continuation application under 35 U.S.C. §111 and §120** of pending International Application No. PCT/EP 99/04973, filed July 14, 1999, entitled "Fastening Assembly", naming as inventors Roland Eberlein and Lothar Wilberg.

Enclosed is a copy of the application together with four (4) sheets of formal drawings.

A check is enclosed to cover the calculated fees as follows:

	Basic Fee	\$710.00
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Priority of application Serial No. 198 32 513.4 filed on July 20, 1998 in Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. A certified copy of the priority document will be submitted.

The Fee Transmittal (in duplicate) is also enclosed. The signed Declaration And Power Of Attorney, Assignment, and Recordal Cover Sheet For Document (in duplicate) will be submitted in due course.

This application is being deposited in Express Mail on the above date, Express Mailing Label No. EL 581 388 785 US.

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Respectfully submitted,


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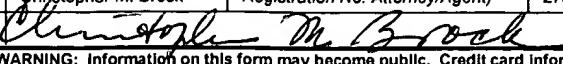
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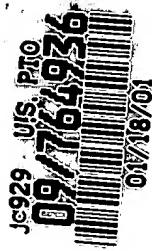
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